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FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF COMMUNIQUE ISSUED FEBRUARY 18 BY EXTERNAL
AFFAIRS REGARDING GOC RECOGNITION OF MPLA:

"THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS,
THE HON. ALLAN J. MACEACHEN, WISHES TO ANNOUNCE THAT
THE GOC HAS RECOGNIZED TODAY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE
PEOPLES REPUBLIC OF ANGOLA, LED BY PRESIDENT AGUSTINHO
NETO. A TELEGRAM TO THIS EFFECT HAS BEEN SENT TO THE
FONMIN OF THE ANGOLAN GOVT.

"THIS DECISION BY THE GOC IN NO WAY ALTERS THE
GOC'S REPEATED POSITION IN FAVOR OF THE WITH-
DRAWAL OF ALL FOREIGN FORCES FROM ANGOLA, AND THE
PEACEFUL RECONCILIATION OF THE VARIOUS FACTIONS IN
THAT COUNTRY. THESE ELEMENTS ARE NOT ONLY CENTRAL
TO THE GOVT'S POSITION BUT ARE COMMON TO ALL PARTIES
IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS, AS EVIDENCES BY THE
UNANIMOUS ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE OF FEB. 9, 1976"
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